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		7. Buldhana
		8. Kolhapur (Gargoti)
13.	Meghalaya	1. Nongsder
14.	Mizoram	1. Kalasib
15.	Orissa	1. Bhubaneswar
		2. Keonjhar
		3. Bhawanipatna
16.	Punjab	1. Nabha
		2. Batala
17.	Rajasthan	1. Jodhpur
		2. Dungarpur
		3. Sakhun
18.	Tamilnadu	1. Madurai
		2. T. Sambuvarayer
		3. Periyar
		4. Thanjavur
		5. Dharampuri
19.	Uttar Pradesh	1 Nanital
		2 Lucknow
		3. Etawah
		4. Meerut
		5 Agra
		6. Bulandshahar
		7. Dharighat
		8 Jhansi
		9. Faizabad
		10. Almora
		11 Haldwani
		12. Partap Garu (Kala Kankar)
		13. Mainpuri
		14. Haridwar
		15. Bulandshahar (Lakhoati)
		16. Pauri Garhwal
		17. Rai Bareilly
		18. Gorakhpur
		19. Ghazipur
		20. Badaun
		21. Partap Garh
20.	West Bengal	1 Cooch Behar
		2. Midnapur
		3. Nadia (Fulia)
		4. Nadia (Kalyani)

Software Technology

3890. SHRI P.C. THOMAS : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether computerisation is being done in various operations in agriculture, industry, exports, education, hospitals, airports etc.;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether cases of the collapse of the software system used in computers in these areas have come to the notice of the Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that there was a total collapse of the software system in Indira Gandhi International Airport, Cargo division, recently;

(f) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon; and

(g) the remedial measures being contemplated to prevent the collapse of software system in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) National Informatics Centre (NIC), Planning Commission has implemented several packages in the various sectors of economy; namely, Animal Production and Health Information System, Financial Advisory System of Agricultural Schemes, Horticulture Information System, Crops Information System, Water Shed Information System, Plant Quarantine Information System, Approval and registration system for Secretariat of Industrial Assistance, Computerisation of ROCs, Computerisation of Central Public Sector Information System including survey of Public Enterprises, Computerisation and Small Scale Industries registered units and database thereon, computerisation of District Industries Centres and State Directorate of Industries is being implemented currently Export/Import Data Bank, License Processing System, 6th All India Education Survey, Monitoring of National Literacy Mission, Grants-in-aid to Voluntary Agencies of Adult Education and Non-Formal Education, Inventory Software for Hospitals, on-Line Computer Based In-patients Registration System Computer Based Emigration Control System, etc

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) and (f) No, Sir. There was no collapse of the software system at the Indira Gandhi International Airport, Air Cargo (Custom House). The export module of the Indian Customs EDI System (ICES) developed by

the National Informatics Centre was made operational on 1.11.96 for drawback shipping bills. The import module has been successfully operating since May, 1995 with EDI over NICNET converting the Custom House into a near paperless office.

The export module, as per Customs requirements, incorporates certain important checks on data including Custom House Agent, code, RBI's Authorised Dealer code, and Importer Exporter Code. It is some of these checks which were found to result in rejection of documents during the first 2-3 days of trial operation. After the exporters and their agents got to used to these steps, there were no more data problems and no delays in filling the shipping bills. The advantage of the software is the automatic crediting of drawback payments to exporters' accounts in the Punjab National Bank which is connected to the Custom Computer System.

This is the first Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Project in the country for a Governmental Agency.

The software is fully tested with reference to quality and performance along with the user Department. It is implemented and put into operation only after acceptance of the computer system by the user Department.

(g) Does not arise.

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Reservation to OBC

3891. SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to provide reservation in promotion to Other Backward Classes to represent adequately in the services under the State; and

(b) if so, whether a Constitution Amendment Bill in this regard is likely to be introduced in the current session of Parliament?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Anapara Power Project

3892. SHRI JAGAT VIR SINGH DRONA :
SHRIMATI KAMAL RANI :
SHRI JAI PRAKASH 'HARDOI' :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of Uttar Pradesh contemplating to hand over the A and B Stations of Anapara Power Project to some other agencies/ institutions;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Overseas Economic Co-operation Fund (OECF) of Japan agreed to provide loans to Uttar Pradesh Electricity Board; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI) : (a) to (e). No formal proposal has been made by the Government of Uttar Pradesh to hand over Anapara 'A' and 'B' TPSs to any other institution. OECF of Japan has not signed/agreed to provide any financial assistance for any new project to UPSEB during the year 1996-97.

ADB Assistance for Karnataka

3893. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have sought ADB assistance for the Urban Development Programme in West Coast Districts in Karnataka;

(b) if so, the estimated cost of the project;

(c) whether the proposed project has been cleared by the Planning Commission;

(d) if so, the districts to be covered under the proposed project; and

(e) the time by which the project is likely to be commenced and completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The estimated cost of the project as per the project proposal sent by the Government of Karnataka is Rs. 758 crores.

(c) Yes, Sir. The Planning Commission has cleared the project proposal subject to the condition that the State Government makes adequate provision for the proposed project without diluting their on-going commitments.

(d) The Districts to be covered under the proposed project are Dakshina Kannada and Uttara Kannada.

(e) The Government of India has taken up the matter with the Asian Development Bank (ADB) for including this project proposal in the Bank's current/next year programme. It is difficult to indicate the time frame for the commencement and completion of the project as the Asian Development Bank formal approval for taking up of the project has not been received till now.